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PORTO RICO.

Report from Ponce—Transactions of Service.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ferrer-Torres reports, February 3, through Chief Quarantine Officer Foster:

Month of January, 1908.

Vessels inspected	15
Vessels in quarantine	6
Passengers inspected:	
Incoming	75
In transit	508
Passengers in quarantine	2
Immigrants inspected	24
Rejection	0
Members of crews inspected	683
Bills of health issued	30

PORTUGUESE EAST AFRICA.

Report from Lourenço Marquez—Plague officially verified.

Consul Hollis reports, January 7:

The latest official information relative to suspect plague at this port, published in the Boletim Oficial of January 4, states that the 8 suspect cases that occurred from November 8 to December 12 have been verified by the board of health of the Province as bubonic plague. Of these cases 5 died and 3 recovered. There has not been a new case since December 12. The bacteriological examination of rats sent to the laboratory shows no plague infection.

FOREIGN AND INSULAR STATISTICAL REPORTS OF COUNTRIES AND CITIES—
UNTABULATED.

AFRICA—*Lourenço Marquez*.—Month of December, 1907. Estimated population, 10,000. Total number of deaths, 43, including 10 from tuberculosis.

BRAZIL—*Pernambuco*.—Month of December, 1907. Estimated population, 210,000. Total number of deaths, 730, including enteric fever 1, smallpox 158, plague 2, malarial fever 30, beriberi 6, measles 1, and 88 from tuberculosis.

CANADA—*Province of Ontario*.—Year ended December 31, 1905. Estimated population, 2,208,364. Total number of deaths, 31,371, including diphtheria 503, enteric fever 446, measles 63, scarlet fever 72, smallpox 3, whooping cough 181, and 2,667 from tuberculosis.

FRANCE—*Calais*.—Month of January, 1908. Estimated population, 70,000. Total number of deaths, 123, including enteric fever 2, and 19 from tuberculosis.

Cherbourg.—Month of January, 1908. Estimated population, 43,948. Total number of deaths, 102, including scarlet fever 1, enteric fever 5, and 14 from tuberculosis.

GIBRALTAR.—Two weeks ended February 2, 1908. Estimated population, 27,385. Total number of deaths, 17, including 1 from tuberculosis.

GREAT BRITAIN—*England and Wales*.—The deaths registered in 76 great towns in England and Wales during the week ended January 25, 1908, correspond to an annual rate of 18.5 per 1,000 population, which is estimated at 16,234,952.

London.—One thousand six hundred and fifty-one deaths were registered during the week, including measles 21, scarlet fever 19, diphtheria 22, enteric fever 4, whooping cough 23, tuberculosis 215, and 9 from diarrhea. The deaths from all causes correspond to an annual rate of 18.0 per 1,000. In Greater London 2,279 deaths were registered. In the "outer ring" the deaths included 3 from diphtheria, 4 from measles, 1 from scarlet fever, and 5 from whooping cough.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended January 25, 1908, in the 21 principal town districts of Ireland was 26.2 per 1,000 of the population, which is estimated at 1,131,959. The lowest rate was recorded in Portadown, viz, 5.2, and the highest in Sligo, viz, 48.0 per 1,000.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in 8 principal towns during the week ended January 25, 1908, correspond to an annual rate of 22.2 per 1,000 of the population, which is estimated at 1,839,038. The highest rate of mortality was recorded in Perth, viz, 26.7, and the lowest in Edinburgh, viz, 17.7 per 1,000. The aggregate number of deaths registered from all causes was 782, including diphtheria 8, enteric fever 5, measles 81, scarlet fever 3, and 25 from whooping cough.

GREECE—*Patras*.—Fifteen days ended January 31, 1908. Estimated population, 40,000. Total number of deaths, 25, including 8 from tuberculosis.

HAWAII—*Honolulu*.—Four weeks ended April 27, 1907. Estimated population, 39,306. Total number of deaths 100, including enteric fever 1, plague 5, and 9 from tuberculosis.

Four weeks ended May 25, 1907. Total number of deaths 94, including diphtheria 1, enteric fever 3, plague 13, and 14 from tuberculosis.

Four weeks ended June 22, 1907. Total number of deaths, 83, including enteric fever 3, plague 1, and 10 from tuberculosis.

Four weeks ended July 20, 1907. Total number of deaths 60, including enteric fever 1, and 13 from tuberculosis.

Four weeks ended August 17, 1907. Total number of deaths 65, including diphtheria 1, enteric fever 3, plague 1, and 12 from tuberculosis.

Four weeks ended September 14, 1907. Total number of deaths 58, including enteric fever 1, and 11 from tuberculosis.

Four weeks ended October 12, 1907. Total number of deaths 57, including enteric fever 1, and 7 from tuberculosis.

Four weeks ended November 9, 1907. Total number of deaths 58, including enteric fever 2, and 12 from tuberculosis.

Four weeks ended December 7, 1907. Total number of deaths 69, including enteric fever 1, and 9 from tuberculosis.

Three weeks ended December 28, 1907. Total number of deaths 54, including enteric fever 2, and 6 from tuberculosis.

JAPAN—*Formosa*.—Three weeks ended January 11, 1908. Estimated population, 3,050,004. Total number of deaths not reported. Three deaths from enteric fever and 1 from plague reported.

MEXICO—*Tampico*.—Two weeks ended January 31, 1908. Estimated population, 20,000. Total number of deaths, 55, including 10 from tuberculosis.

REPUBLIC OF PANAMA.—Quarter ended September 30, 1907. Estimated population, 370,316. Total number of deaths, 687, including enteric fever 10, beriberi 11, malarial fever 120, and 48 from tuberculosis.

RUSSIA—*Riga*.—Month of November, 1907. Estimated population, 350,000. Total number of deaths, 606, including diphtheria 13, enteric fever 14, typhus fever 1, measles 3, scarlet fever 32, whooping cough 6, and 56 from tuberculosis.

SWITZERLAND.—Week ended January 11, 1908. Reports from 18 cities, having an aggregate population of 868,928, show as follows: Total number of deaths, 278, including enteric fever 2, diphtheria 3, measles 2, and 51 from tuberculosis.

WEST INDIES—*St. Christopher*.—Two weeks ended January 25, 1908. Estimated population, 49,289. Total number of deaths, 43, including 2 from tuberculosis.

Turks Island.—Two weeks ended January 25, 1908. Estimated population, 1,700. Total number of deaths 4, including 1 from tuberculosis.

Cholera, yellow fever, plague, and smallpox from December 28, 1907, to February 21, 1908.

[Reports received by the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, from American consuls, through the Department of State and from other sources.]

[For reports received from June 28, 1907, to December 27, 1907, see PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS for December 27, 1907.]

[NOTE.—In accordance with custom, the tables of epidemic diseases are terminated semiannually and new tables begun.]

CHOLERA.^a

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Arabia:				
Hedjaz, general	Dec. 13-Jan. 9	2,260	1,690	
Abou Ali	Dec. 31-Jan. 9	65	45	
Abou-Saad (Djeddah)	Dec. 21-29	128	53	
Djeddah	Dec. 10-Jan. 9	28	27	
Kamaran	Dec. 2-7	3	2	
Medina	Dec. 18-Jan. 7	284	219	
Mekka	Dec. 21-Jan. 9	1,473	1,160	
Yembo	Dec. 20-Jan. 3	255	160	
Ceylon:				
Colombo	Nov. 24-30		1	

^a Cienfuegos erroneously entered in cholera table, issue February 14, 1908, page 194.